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Take the Bite Out of Mosquitoes!



Did you know that ANYTHING that holds water for one week outside can produce mosquitoes? YES! Even items such as bird baths, saucers for potted plants, pet dishes, ornamental ponds and children's swimming pools. One of the easiest and most effective things you can do to prevent mosquitoes from breeding in your yard is to remove those things which collect water. But there are things you can do to help. When areas of standing water cannot be eliminated, the regular use of larvacide can prevent mosquitoes from breeding. Retail home

improvement stores (such as Home Depot and Lowe's) sell larvacide tablets in

packs of six for less than \$10. The tablets are effective for approximately a month.

Other things that you can do to protect yourself from the mosquitoes that you can't eliminate include wearing long-sleeved shirts and long pants outside. Wear insect repellent with DEET anytime you are outside and be certain your children wear it for their outside activities.

(Caution: DEET is not recommended for use by infants or pregnant women.) Also, prevent mosquitoes from coming inside, by making sure the screens on your doors and windows are tight fitting.

The City of Marietta Public Works Department has implemented an Integrated Pest Management Program to help reduce the areas in which mosquitoes can reproduce. Specifically, the City is:

- Increasing public education efforts to notify residents of the most effective mosquito control methods.
- Aggressively abating standing water nuisances on private property by requiring stagnant water be eliminated or treated with larvacide on a regular basis.
- Treating standing water on City owned

properties with larvacide on regular intervals.

- Spraying for adult mosquitoes.

For more information on mosquito control, residents may call the Cobb County Board of Health at (770) 435-7815 or the Cobb County Extension Service at (770) 528-4070. Marietta's Public Works Department offers several links for mosquito information on www.marietta.gov/pw. ⚡



El Departamento de Trabajos Publicos de la Ciudad de Marietta ha implementado un Programa Integrado de Manejo de Plagas o Pestes para ayudar a reducir las areas en las cuales los mosquitos se pueden reproducir. Especificamente la Ciudad esta haciendo:

- Incrementando los esfuerzos de educacion publica para notificar a los residentes de los metodos de control mas efectivos contra los mosquitos.
- Disminuyendo agresivamente los residuos de agua estancada en propiedad privada, eliminandolas o tratandolas con larvacidas regularmente.
- Tratando el agua estancada en las propiedades publicas de la Ciudad con larvacidas regularmente.
- Rociando los mosquitos adultos.

Para mayor informacion sobre el control de los mosquitos, los residentes deben llamar a la Junta de Salud del Condado de Cobb al (770) 435-7815 o a la Extension de Servicio al (770) 528-4070. El Departamento de Trabajos Publicos de la Ciudad ofrece varias conecciones para la informacion de los mosquitos en www.marietta.gov/pw. ⚡

New Outdoor Watering Restrictions Take Effect August 1

The Georgia Board of Natural Resources recently adopted new rules that impose year-round, conservation-based restrictions on outdoor water use.

Beginning on August 1, these regulations will require all Marietta Water customers to schedule outdoor water use according to the following schedule: Odd-numbered addresses may water only on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays (no hourly limits).

Even-numbered or unnumbered addresses may water only on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays (no hourly limits).

Should a drought be declared, further restrictions may be imposed. The severity of those restrictions will depend upon the severity of the drought, and these further restrictions may be imposed on a site-specific or regional basis.

These restrictions represent the latest step toward full implementation of the statewide drought management plan that the Board of Natural Resources adopted in March 2003. The plan, which remains

under development, will eventually include a number of additional water conservation elements as well.

According to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, staggered outdoor water use has proven to be an effective water demand management tool.

Managing water demand takes on special importance in regions experiencing rapid population growth, such as Cobb County. This water conservation initiative will help preserve a precious natural resource, help to protect an increasingly fragile aquatic environment, and increase water supply opportunities for future generations.

Violators will receive warnings for initial violations, subsequent fines for continued abuse, and possible cut-off for extensive, blatant abuse.

For more information on the new statewide restrictions on outdoor water use, please call Marietta Water at (770) 794-5230. ⚡

Calendar of Events

Marietta Invites One and All to Experience the 16th Annual Art in the Park Festival on Labor Day Weekend

The City of Marietta and The Marietta Business Association Invites You to Enjoy a Fine Art Extravaganza in and Around Glover Park on Sept. 4 through 6

In addition to browsing through art exhibits in the heart of Marietta Square, visitors can bring a picnic lunch or enjoy the local restaurants that offer everything from all-American hot dogs to crepes and other international delicacies. Guests will also enjoy exploring the unique shops and boutiques in and around the downtown area on foot or via horse-drawn buggy.

Visitors will find free parking during the

festival in the Cherokee Street Parking Deck. The festival will remain open from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 4; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 5; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 6.

Admission is free. So bring your family and friends to Art in the Park.

For more information, please contact the Marietta Welcome Center at (770) 429-1115. Or visit www.mariettaga.biz.com. ⚡

12th Annual Historic Marietta Antique Street Festival Brings Together Georgia's Top Sellers and Collectors at Marietta Square

The 12th annual Historic Marietta Antique Street Festival will transform picturesque Marietta Square into a one-of-a-kind antique market on Saturday, Sept. 18.

This premier event attracts more than 125 antique dealers from around Georgia. Marietta's 20 local antique shops will also add to the festival atmosphere with their own special "sidewalk sales."

The festival is from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. rain or shine. Admission is free, with free parking available at the Cobb County Parking Deck on Cherokee Street. Anyone interested in additional information can also call (770) 429-1115 or (800) 835-0445, or visit www.antiquesofmarietta.com. ⚡